

Ordnance Office

War Department

Washington Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> 1882.

R. E. Preston, Esq.-

Acting Director of the Mint.

Treasury Department.

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An early reply will greatly oblige.

Respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Jas. M. Whitemore

Acting Chief of Ordnance.

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Requisition for 90  
Bronze Army Mark  
manship Medals.  
Also photographs  
of designs for such  
medals, the dies for  
which are not yet  
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1 Enclosure

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